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KyANG competes in photo finish

by Capt. Jeff Butcher, PAO

Forty-seven members of the Kentucky Air National Guard received their official orders for the 1985 Photo Finish competition before nearly 1,200 members Sunday afternoon following the annual July standdown.

Brig.Gen. John L. Smith, 123rd Tactical Reconnaissance Wing commander, had the respective teams introduced and presented the charge for this year's event which has become a tradition within the Air National Guard circles. Supporting the charge was Brig.Gen. Fred Bradley, who lead the unit in the first photo finish exercise. General Bradley was representing the adjutant general during the presentation.

Photo Finish began in October 1980 as an exercise to spotlight the reconnaissance community. The 123rd TRW hosted the initial meet at Travis ANG Training Site, Savannah, Ga. Today it is a major event which encompasses more than just Air Force and Air Guard units. The entire entry list from other armed forces will be announced in September. Thus far, the invitation list includes the U.S. Air Force, U.S. Marine

Corps, U.S. Navy, Canadian and Australian units.

In the beginning, Photo Finish concentrated on aircrew performance. The 1985 event goes into much more detail. Judged events will consist of:

- Day reconnaissance mission
- Night reconnaissance mission
- Day tactical mission
- Military equipment recognition exercise for imagery interpretation teams
- Maintainance evaluation

The judging will take place at McClellan AFB, Calif. from October 5-12, 1985. The unit which has the highest aggregate scores in all five categories will be designated "Best overall unit."

The CLEAN SWEEPERS from Kentucky will be:

PHOTO FINISH TEAM CAPTAIN: Lt. Col. Gary M. Burge; AIRCREWS(Pilots) Maj. Don Goley, Capts. David Moreman, Mike Bell and Lt. John Hogan; (Weapons Systems Officers) Capts. Jim Allen and John Amshoff and Lt. Gary Chambers (another WSO will be announced later).

IMAGERY INTERPRETORS: Lt. Col. Tom Thornton (interpreter captain),

SSgts. Anthony Matthew and Gregory Wetzelberger, Sgts. Scott Aldridge, Gregory Arnold, and SrA. Thomas Sullivan.

MAINTAINANCE DIRECTORATE: Capt. Paul Stone (OIC), MSgt. Robert Thomas, TSgt. James Brannaman, SSgt. Steven Rogers and A1C Michael Keehner.

ORGANIZATIONAL MAINTAINANCE: MSgt. John Hall, TSgts. Rodney Terry, Brian Shaugnessy, Floyd Tuttle, and Richard Scanlon, SSgt. Leon Allen and Sgt. Michael Shepherd.

FIELD MAINTAINANCE: SMSgt. Paul Bell, MSgt. Richard Sheffler, TSgts. David Goatley, Victor Colon, SSgts. Stephen Hatfield, Kenneth Hayden, James McKenzie and John Ash Jr., and Sgt. Anthony Norris.

AVIONICS MAINTAINANCE: SMSgt. James Davis, MSgts. Bobbie Brawner and Glenn Farquhar, TSgts. Rabon Adler, Robert Sinclair, Joseph Goodin, Martin Mery and Maureen Jolly, SSgts. Robert Kelly, Robert Geary, and David Pierce.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE: Capt. Jeff Butcher.

CAM airman gets praise

The first quarter of 1985 saw the Consolidated Maintenance Squadron's airman of the quarter award go to SSgt. William M. Ray. Sergeant Ray is an electronic photographic systems repairman in the base avionics sensor shop. Sergeant Ray's award was based on his attention to job safety and adherence to Air Force Office of Safety Hazards Standards, his personal appearance and exceptional conformity to Air Force regulation 35-10, and finally his assertiveness in military training and other community related involvements. Capt. Howard Hunt, the avionics branch chief, said, "Sergeant Ray is a credit to this branch and is a fine example for others to follow."



Members of the Photo Finish team were recognized at the July picnic.

Commander's Column



After recently assuming command of Twelfth Air Force, I quickly visited as many active, guard and Reserve units as possible. My first impression is one of great admiration for the tremendous job being done by **everyone**. It is most rewarding to see the pride, professionalism and **readiness** of our forces. And, it is equally as rewarding to see the great work being done in all of our support activities.

I am most grateful to be on the Twelfth Air Force team, and I look forward to working with all of you!

Lt. Gen. Charles Cunningham Jr.
Commander, 12th Air Force

Chaplain's Column

By Capt. Herbert L. Lattis
Chaplain

On one of his canvasses the French painter Emile Ranouf has depicted an old man dressed in a fisherman's garb and seated in a boat with a little girl beside him.

Both the elderly gentleman and the child have their hands on a huge oar. He is looking down, fondly and admiringly upon her. Apparently he has told her that she may assist him in rowing the boat, and the child feels she is doing a great share of the task.

It is easy to see, however, that it is his strong, muscular arms which are actually propelling the boat through the waves.

In this painting, called "A Helping Hand," one may trace a parable. God has granted us the privilege of sharing his work, but we must never forget that it is only as God works in and through us that we are able to perform our task. While he directs us to put our hand upon the oar, we must always be aware of the source of our power.

In History

FIVE YEARS AGO
AUGUST 1980

- On August 3, an intense storm cell passed over Standiford Field at 5 a.m. Damage to the base fire house exceeded \$18,000; a third of the concrete roof was blown off and the building's guttering was destroyed. The base's communication tower was toppled and numerous trees were blown down or lost substantial limbs. Two aircraft (C-131 and DC-4) were wind-moved but undamaged. Five auxiliary power generators were pressed into service until late morning when electrical power was restored.
- From August 4-8, the HQ TAC/IG team inspected the HQ KY USPFO/Contracting Section and the 123rd TRW/Contracting Office. They received an excellent rating.
- On August 8, the 123rd TRW hosted the Kentucky Committee for Employer Support of the Guard/Reserves.
- During August, the following requested aerial imagery projects were accomplished by the 165th TRS aircrews: Dayton Veterans Hospital for Wright Patterson Air Force Base; Dayton Airshow for AF Reserve Wing at Lockbourne AFB; two Louisville power sites for Kentucky Army Guard; Turner Drop Zone (Mass) requested by Nation Guard Bureau for Rhode Island ANG; and air to ground range at Fort Campbell for Terre Haute ANG.

State Notes

by Maj. Ed Tonini, state public affairs staff

Federal mobilization of all or part of the Kentucky Air National Guard would initiate drastic changes in mission and responsibility of the state headquarters unit.

In accordance with Air Force regulation 28-5, the state headquarters unit, under the adjutant general's direction, must insure that a holding detachment is established. The detachment would be made up of individuals not mobilized, as well as members of state headquarters.

Once the mobilization units vacate the base, complete command and control of base real property and assets reverts to state headquarters. Control of data processing, fiscal accountability, personnel, administration, grounds and facilities operations and maintenance all become functions of the unit.

Any mobilized unit members in the training pipeline report to the holding detachment as well as all non-mobilized unit members. All legal and medical care issues relating to mobilized personnel dependants also become primary areas of responsibility. Tactical Air Command would acquire individuals called "TAC fillers" from this holding detachment.

The detachment would also be responsible to secure the base and its remaining support gear and to handle any transient aircraft routed through the facility. State headquarters would actuate host/tenant agreements for payroll and computer services with Patterson and Blyethville air force bases.

The unit would also administer and allocate space on base in building and grounds for the airlift of all mobilized armor units and their equipment to their specific mobilization sites under a standing memorandum of understanding with Fort Knox.

Finally, the unit becomes responsible for the necessary reconstitution of a mobilized unit as personnel attrition takes place. Toward the end of period of activation, one of the primary functions becomes the recruitment and replacement of personnel so as to keep unit strength at a mission-ready status.

The only way so many areas of responsibility can be addressed is by effective planning for such contingencies. One of the by-products of state headquarters planning will be a benefit and entitlement booklet which is scheduled to be published this fall. All unit members will be given a copy of this booklet, which should bring benefits into sharp perspective, regardless of guard duty or extended federal active duty; look for it.

The Phantom's Eye

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Legal Briefs

By Capt. Gary Napier
Legal Officer

Article 15, nonjudicial punishment, is an administrative procedure to resolve minor infractions of military law. It is "Nonjudicial" because this procedure is between the offender and his or her commander and does not require resolution by a court of law. Only minor offenses will be disposed of by this administrative procedure. Serious offenses will be resolved by court-martial. The objective of Article 15, nonjudicial punishment, is to rehabilitate the offender without the imposition of a criminal record.

When a commander learns of a minor offense, investigates the matter and concludes an offense has been committed he or she has the option of offering the member an Article 15, at that point the military member has some important

decisions to make. He or she can refuse to accept Article 15 processing and demand trial by court-martial. The member has an absolute right to have the case resolved by a court of law. He or she can not be compelled to accept the Article 15. The advantages to accepting the Article 15 procedures are twofold. First Article 15 avoids a criminal conviction that a court-martial conviction would result in if the member is found guilty. Second a commander is limited on what punishment he or she can impose with an Article 15. The possible punishment by a court-martial will be substantially greater than what a commander could impose pursuant to Article 15 procedure. The typical punishment available to a commander an Article 15 will include forfeiture of pay, reduction in rank and reprimand. The amount of

possible punishment will depend on the rank of the imposing commander and the offender. A court-martial can impose confinement at hard labor, forfeiture of pay and total reduction in rank. If the member elects to accept Article 15 procedure he or she has a right to a hearing before the commander to convince the commander of his innocence or to explain the offense, to present evidence and to be represented by counsel, either military or civilian; the hearing can be in public or private.

Although an Article 15 is not a conviction, it is a blemish on a military record. For this reason the decision of whether or not to accept this procedure is critical. Don't make the decision alone. Military Council must be provided without charge.

The Air Force's 'best kept secret'

by SMSgt. L. Andre Roy, NCOIC, CBPO

Lt. Col. Ross Pike, the U.S. Air Force advisor to the Kentucky Air National Guard, and seven enlisted personnel here are affiliated with the KyANG Composite Squadron/123rd Explorers Post based at Standiford Field. At ceremonies held in October 1894, Civil Air Patrol 1st Lt. Elizabeth "Betty" Church, squadron commander, accepted its charter, dated April 17, 1984. The presentation was attended by Brig. Gen. John L. Smith.

Through the leadership of Commander Church, the unit has the largest and most active cadet program in the state of Kentucky. Twenty-five youths and young adults ranging in age from 11 to 18 comprise the cadet corps. Since the beginning of 1985, both senior members and cadets have participated in numerous search and rescue/disaster field exercises directed at sharpening their skills in satisfying the CAP mission.

The unit's cadet program helps train young men and women become leaders of the future whatever their endeavor may be. Cadets affiliated with the unit have opportunities in the areas of flying, aerospace education, survival

skills, rescue/first aid and radio communication, as well as the study of navigation, weather and aviation history. Many cadets will be afforded hands-on experience in CAP corporate aircraft. A few others will even be eligible for a jet orientation flight in the USAF T-38 jetplane. In addition, cadets may compete for flying and academic scholarships as they advance in the cadet program.

Militarily, CAP cadets are instructed in drill and ceremonies, leadership, physical fitness, military courtesies, appearance, and moral development.

Membership in the CAP does not obligate cadets to join any of the U.S. armed forces.

However, if a cadet chooses to join any branch of the U.S. services, and is the recipient of the Mitchell Award, the member is eligible to start out in the advanced pay grade of E-3. The Army and Navy also recognize the young person's training by inducting the cadet into its service with the grade of E-2.

The young men and women who join the KyANG composite squadron also have the opportunity to become members of the 123rd Explorer Post of the Boy Scouts of America, which affords the cadets a varied program in-

ventory that compliments the CAP activities. This combined arrangement is the only one in Kentucky.

The senior program is a five-level structured training and education program designed to prepare its members to accomplish the CAP's mission by filling leadership positions and performing specific functions within the unit which are closely aligned to those of the Air Force.

Adult members can become proficient in such areas as flight and air navigation, public affairs and emergency medical services. Initial training include aerospace concepts and moral leadership. Senior members upgrade their status from 2nd Lieutenant through the equivalent Air Force officer ranks by enrolling in USAF ECI courses and in-residence curricula. These courses cover verbal and written communications, interpersonal skills, methods of managing and teaching, leadership and related subjects.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting CAP 2nd Lt. L. Andre Roy (KyANG senior master sergeant), at on base -497 during monthly UTAs, or at home, (812) 944-3008.

WORTH REPEATING

AMERICAN FORCES PRESS SERVICE

Honorable Caspar Weinberger,
Secretary of Defense

The Senate and the House have completed action on their versions of the FY 86 Authorization Bill. Both versions include a feature that reduces authorization for retirement accrual appropriations. Also, each requires the department to submit proposed legislation by September 1, 1985 to revise the retirement system for future new entrants. The key point here is that the Congress, at the Department's insistence, has determined that all personnel currently serving in the Armed Forces and personnel already retired will be fully grandfathered and therefore not affected by any proposed revision of the military retirement system.

The final dollar reduction for new entrants will be determined by the conference committee and will dictate the magnitude of the change that will be required to the retirement system for those coming into the service after the effective date of the act.

During the development and defense of the FY 1986 budget, we have expended considerable effort to protect and improve the economic well-being of our service members. The results to date have been extremely successful.

In addition to a 3% pay raise, an ex-

tensive package of benefits and reimbursement improvements have been included in either, or both, versions of the senate and house FY 1986 DOD Authorization Bills. These are:

A. Permanent change of station CPCS' reimbursements to reduce out-of-pocket expenses when making PCS moves; e.g., increased household goods chhg.) weight allowance to provide a minimum of 5000 lbs. to junior enlisted and a maximum of 18,000 lbs to senior grades; a per diem allowance of \$37.50 per day for dependents over 12 years of age and \$25 per day for dependents under 12; a junior enlisted travel allowance in conus of 7 cents per mile for dependents under 12; a dislocation allowance at the "with dependents" rate for married junior enlisted personnel; and a temporary lodging expense; TLE allowance in conus of \$110 per day for up to four days.

B. Special and incentive pay increases to attract and retain hard-to-fill skills; e.g., equalize hazardous duty pays for enlisted and officer personnel \$110/mo.; increase family separation allowance from \$30/mo. to \$60/mo; authorize conus leave travel for families between consecutive overseas tours; and authorize payment of BAW/VHA beyond the statutory 90

days for members without dependents on seafield duty.

In addition, the house has included in its version of the Authorization Bill certain health care benefits to reduce the financial burden to our members of procuring essential medical services. These include a cost-shared dental insurance plan for active duty dependents; an annual cap on out-of-pocket expenses for medical costs per family \$1000 - active duty dependents; \$3000 - retirees and survivors; elimination of CHAMPUS deductible and copayment for active duty dependents who live outside the military treatment facility catchment area.

The above compensation and quality of life improvements are by no means a complete list of all compensation-related initiatives we are pursuing in the FY 1985 budget, or of other actions we are taking to improve the financial well-being of our service members and their families.

In spite of intense budget pressures, the leadership of the DOD will continue to work hard to ensure that our military members are provided compensation and a quality of life that are fair to them and that enable us to attract and retain the quality of people so vital to the defense of this country.

Integrity in Government Contracting

A Message from the Secretary of Defense and the Inspector General

Contracting is big business in the Department of Defense today. Last year, we took over 14 million contract actions worth over \$146 billion.

Every taxpayer wants to know that our Department is spending this vast sum wisely. To do so, our contractors must maintain the highest standards of integrity in their dealings with the government. The government must rely on the integrity of the contractor to provide us with the high-quality product or service for which we contracted.

We all know about the problems in government contracting. Cost mischarging, the substitution of inferior products and other fraud schemes have gone on in the past and will continue in the future unless we stop them. Our interest is in preventing these problems before they happen. The public and the government benefit most from prevention efforts.

In order to succeed, we need the help of all our managers and employees as well as those who are employed by our contractors. If everyone follows basic principles and ensures that others follow them as well, fraud will be eliminated from DoD contracts.

Vietnam Memorial 'completes' message

Something was missing when the Vietnam Veterans Memorial was unveiled in the nation's capital in November 1982. There were more than 58,000 names of American fighting men who were killed or listed as missing in action in Vietnam etched into the shiny black granite, but no faces.

Blacks, whites, Hispanics and every other ethnic group represented in America today, fought, were captured, maimed or killed on the battlefields of Vietnam. This "togetherness" has been symbolically captured in the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Statue of three fighting men—one white, one Hispanic and one black—"caught in a moment of watchful awareness."

These veterans stand in solitary repose viewing from afar the long, dark wall that recounts the more than 58,000 names of those who have died or who are missing in battle," said a spokesman for the National Parks Service in Washington, D.C.

Each face holds a different expression—grave incomprehension, anguish, anxiety and angry defiance—which "mirrors the turbulent passage from innocence to experience, from boyhood to manhood...."

"I wanted to get the youth and to some degree, the sense of psychology of what took place, the fact that there is a kind of shadow that passes over these young faces that will never go away," said Washington, D.C., sculptor Fredrick Hart. "I wanted to capture them at that moment when that shadow passed."

It took Hart two years and 2,500 pounds of green clay to create the seven foot tall statue, that sits on a one-foot granite base. Flesh areas of the life-like sculpture are made of rich caramel bronze and the uniforms are slightly olive drab.

"When I first got involved with this project, I was excited because the war itself was such a difficult subject philosophically, emotionally, theologically and politically, so that in every sense it was many faceted and intriguing—a fascinating subject for study.

"A big change that came over me in these past few years...I began to appreciate who these veterans really were, what they had been through and what they are undergoing now," said Hart. "I became very compassionate about their experienced and sympathetic to their feelings.

"The statue I created is meant to elevate the veteran, to say something about their experience to them, to help them be acknowledged and understood," said Hart.



This statue of three American fighting men—one black, one white and one Hispanic—symbolizes the ethnic groups in today's American society.

Teen-age suicides need attention

Editor's Note: From the American Academy of Child Psychiatry

Suicides among young people nationwide have increased dramatically in recent years. More than 5,000 15-24 year olds committed suicide in 1981, and the numbers are growing. Today suicide is the second leading cause of death for people aged 10 to 24.

Many teenagers experience strong feelings of stress, confusion and self-doubt in the process of growing up, and the pressures to succeed combined with economic uncertainties and fears about nuclear war can intensify these feelings.

For some teenagers, divorce, the formation of a new family with step-parents and step-siblings, or moving to a new community can be very unsettling and can intensify self-doubts. In some cases suicide appears to be a "solution."

Depression and suicidal feeling are treatable mental disorders. The child or adolescent needs to have his or her illness recognized and diagnosed, and appropriate treatment plans should be made. When parents are in doubt about whether their child has a serious problem, a psychiatric examination does no harm to the youngster.

Many of the symptoms of suicidal feelings are similar to those of depression. Parents should be aware of the following warning signs of adolescents who may try to kill themselves. Child psychiatrists recommend that if one or more of these signs occurs, parents should talk to their child about their concerns and seek professional help if the concerns persist.

- Change in eating and sleeping habits.
- Withdrawal from friends and family and from regular activities.
- Violent or rebellious behavior, or running away.
- Drug and alcohol abuse.
- Unusual neglect of personal appearance.
- Radical personality change.
- Persistent boredom, difficulty concentrating, or a decline in the quality of schoolwork.
- Frequent complaints about physical symptoms, often related to emotions, such as stomach ache, headache, fatigue, etc.
- Loss of interest in pleasurable activities.
- Not tolerating praise or rewards.

A teen-ager who is planning to commit suicide may also:

- Complain of being "rotten inside."
- Give verbal hints with statements such as: "I won't be a problem for you much longer," "Nothing matters," "It's no use," "I won't see you again."
- Put his or her affairs in order—for example, give away favorite possessions, clean his or her room, throw things away, etc.
- Become suddenly cheerful after a period of depression.

People often feel uncomfortable talking about death. However, it can be helpful to ask the child or adolescent whether he or she is depressed or thinking about suicide. Rather than "putting

thoughts into the child's head," such a question will provide assurance that somebody cares and will give the young person the chance to talk about his or her problems.

With support from family and friends, and professional treatment, children and teenagers who are suicidal can be restored to a more healthy path of development.

Energy Note

The common belief that a fluorescent light should be left on even if you're leaving the room for as long as a half-hour is a myth, according to an article in the January 1981 issue of Popular Science Magazine by Daniel Ruby.

Maj. Rick Gabhart, 123rd Civil Engineering Squadron, added that it is important for people here to remember to turn off the lights in offices when not in use.

"A fluorescent lamp does use more current starting up than it does in steady-state use, but how much more?" asks the Popular Science article. "How long need the light be off before it compensates for that surge of starting current?"

The answer from the Naval Civil Engineering Laboratory is just one second.

An oscilloscope tracing shows the starting current draw and the steady-state draw of a two-tube, rapid-start fluorescent luminaire. The total starting current draw lasts for about one second, but the initial surge lasts for only half a cycle, or 1/120 second, according to the article.

The Navy engineers say that the starting current does not represent a significant amount of electrical power. In fact, turning the lamps off for only one second would save the energy expended when they are switched back on.

According to the article, the lamp operating continuously has the longest life: 38,000 hours. The second lamp burns out after 30,000 hours and the third lamp after 22,000.

The article also points out that in terms of replacement time the order reverses. The continuously running lamp would have to be replaced in 4.3 years; the second would last 6.8 years and the third, based on a 40-hour week, would last more than 10½ years.

The article concludes that not only was power consumption cut by turning lamps off, but replacement costs were reduced by 37 and 59 percent.

"Moral: Switch off a fluorescent lamp anytime you're leaving a room for more than a couple of minutes."

Warning — Sunbathing can be Hazardous to your Health

If a few weeks the sun's rays will be reaching peak strength. Despite warnings from physicians, sunbathers will be crowding onto shores and beaches. If you decide the "max out on sun," don't kid yourself that you're doing it for health. The sun rays that produce that beautiful tan probably are doing permanent damage to your skin. Sunburn is just the first sign of too much sun too fast. Overexposure to the sun ages the skin prematurely, wrinkles it and gives it a tough leathery look. Constant overexposure to the sun's rays leads to skin cancer — almost 300,000 cases a year.

If you work in the sun, or plan to play in it this summer, take sensible precautions. Learn about sunscreens and sun-blockers. Use the one that is best for

you. Take the sun only before 10 a.m. and after 3 p.m. Avoid sunbathing in the hours in between when dangerous ultraviolet rays are strongest. Protect your skin by wearing loose-fitting beach robes, long-sleeved shirts and wide-brimmed hats.

Everyone should know how to spot skin cancer's visible early warnings, especially those of you who decide not to follow the other advice. Fortunately, skin cancers are very curable if treated early. Here are the danger signs:

- a sore that does not heal
- change in size or color of a wart or mole
- development of any pigmented area

For more information check with your local medical treatment facility.

Picnic provides fun, honors runners



Kentucky Air Guard members got out of the usual attire and loosened up a little at last month's picnic.

ABC's of the new GI Bill

Members who entered the service after June 30 were automatically enrolled in the GI Bill for educational assistance unless they signed a waiver after entering the service. Those of you who are enrolled in the new program will automatically contributed \$100 per month for your first 12 months of service; that is, your pay will be reduced by \$100 per month for 12 months. You may drop out of the program before 12 months have passed, but no refund is made.

To qualify for the new GI Bill, service members must have a high school diploma or high school equivalency certificate.

The new GI Bill provides benefits not only for active duty service members but also for Vietnam-era GI participants and members of the Selected Reserve serving in troop units or in individual augments or Active Guard and Reserve programs.

KyANG 'Believe it or Not'

(As the date draws near for the arrival of the new C-12 aircraft, old war stories of the C-131 are coming out. This is such a story that if anyone can top it, please notify the Public Affairs office.)

In November 1984 the C-131 was tasked to fly a group of 123rd Tactical Hospital people to the American Military Surgeons of the U.S. Convention in San Diego, Calif. Col. Austin P. Snyder was the aircraft's commander.

The trip from "Super Dog Fox," (the code name for Louisville's Standiford Field), was uneventful except for one engine that quit while landing, Colonel Snyder reports.

It took the crew 11 hours to fly to San Diego, with several refueling stops.

The day prior to returning to SDF, Colonel Snyder met with Capt. Cliff Chambers, co-pilot and MSgt. Demzil E. Craig, flight engineer, to map out the flight back. It was a 1,700 nautical mile leg. The crew determined that if they could get 40 mile per hour winds, they could make the trip non-stop. A check

with the weather officer indicated such tail winds would be available.

On November 5, 1984, the C-131, with 18 passengers, departed the North Island Naval Air Station enroute. This was to be a long game of trivial pursuit.

However, the tail winds were only 20 mph and the crew was not sure if it was a "go". Four stops were selected as back-ups.

As the C-131 climbed, the tail winds began to pick up; but not enough.

A refueling stop was approaching with winds at 35 mph; it was decision time: land or go for it.

Then all of the sudden the indicator needle hit 40 mph. Colonel Snyder said to go for it.

The tail winds continued with the C-131 landing at Standiford Field after seven hours in flight and 2½ hours of fuel remaining.

"This effort must be a world distance record for the C-131," Colonel states.

The leading runners - male and female - for the 1985 fitness contest age groups are as follows:

Men, 17-29: SSgt Jon J. Kiefer, 123RMS (07:34), A1C Archie C. Carrico, 123RMS, and Sgt. Gregory L. Arnold, 165TRS.

Women, 17-29: SSgt Mary Thurman, 123RMS (11:08), SRA Catherine J. Wilkins, 165TRS, ALC Caroline R. Grundy.

Men, 30-34: Capt. Greg Lebre, 165TRS (08:44), SRA Timothy J. Kremer, 123WSSP, and Major Toby H. Harrel, 165TRS.

Women, 30-34: Major Sherra Rogers, 123Tac Hosp. (10:56), Lt. Mary A. Swift, and TSgt Kathleen Qunikert, 165TRS.

Men, 35-39: Major Larry A. Rogers, KyANG State Staff (09:04), Major Donald L. Krstich, 165TRS and SSgt James E. Delahanty, 123RMS.

Women, 35-39: Capt. Teresa A. Harden, 123CSS (12:44), SSgt Dianna L. Slaughter, 123RMS, and TSgt Vonnice Hood, 123CSS.

Men, 40-44: TSgt Charles Lieberman, 123RMS (08:52), LTC William C. Spencer, 123TRW, and MSgt John N. Henry.

Women, 40-44: LTC Jaquelyn Reid, 123Tac Hosp. (14:20), TSgt Bertha M. Pearl, 123CSS and Major Patricia J. Horsey, 123Tac Hosp.

Men, 45-49: MSgt Robert M. Sherek, 123CAM (09:31), Major Ed Hornung, 123CSS/CC, and TSgt Larry A. Fowler, 165TRS.

Women, 45-49: SMSgt Elizabeth Church, 123RMS (16:39)



Brig. Gen. Fred Bradley was congratulated by Brig. Gen. John Smith for finishing top in his group.

Bits-n-Pieces

Congratulations: Recent Promotions

To: Major
Glenn D. Adair
Herbert L. Lattis

To: Capt.
Teresa A. Harden

To: TSGT
Ice, Kenneth M.
Franklin, Larry S.

To: SSGT
Byron, Bruce E.
Cammack, Janet G.
Kremer, Stuart J.
Lyons, Martin K.
Renn, Karen M.

To: SRA
Barnett, Keith L.
Brimer, Tim D.
Cox, Timothy W.
Davis, Jerome E.
Dunn, James W. III
Eckert, Jeff A.
Ellis, Tanya F.
Perry, John W. III
Pierce, Linda M.
Robinson, Kevin S.
Spaulding, Darryl W.

To: AIC
Callan, Brennan J.
Colvin, Deborah S.
Jones, Christina M.

To: Colonel
Robert A. Lawrence

Air Force Commendation Medal:
Capt. Jo A. Knight

Award of the Kentucky Twenty Year
Faithful Service Plaque:
MSGT William H. Crutcher
TSGT James E. Bryan Jr.
TSGT Orron A. Story
TSGT Herbert K. Winstel

SO LONG:

The following have recently been honorably discharged from KyANG. Our sincere thanks to all of you, and good luck!

Capt. Carol A. Sypher, Capt. Jo A. Knight, SMSgt Wallace R. Elbe, SSgt Richard A. Lewis, SSgt Charles T. Davis, SSgt Linda D. Skinner, SSgt Rocky D. Webster, SRA Ronald A. Clark, SRA Derek S. Raymer, SRA Eric T. Harp, A1C George G. Nalley, A1C Terry M. Daniel, and AB William D. Young.



at the July picnic.



Letters

I am in fact proud to have the enthusiastically professional membership of the Kentucky Air National Guard.

Although I would have preferred that the 123rd TRW be selected for a NGAUS, AFA or NGB Flying Unit Award, it is apparent that the 123rd TRW enjoys an enviable record.

However, let's not let up or rest on past achievements. The 123rd TRW certainly has the professionalism, the drive, desire, and spirit to continue to show the nation it is in fact, the best Air National Guard unit in the United States.

Maj. Gen. Billy Wellman, Jr.
Adjutant General

Kentucky Easter Seal Society

On behalf of the thousands of disabled children and adults served by the Kentucky Easter Seal Society I would like to thank you for the outstanding support you have provided to the men and women of Iroquois Post #229 of the American Legion and Auxiliary.

As you know, this will be the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Iroquois Post's Kysoc Carnival. The Post has set a goal of \$25,000 to be raised for camperships to allow disabled children and young adults to attend the Easter Seal Society's summer residential camps. The assistance you have given them will, I'm sure, help them reach their goal.